

**PUBLIC WORKS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE MINUTES
JANUARY 14, 2014**

The Public Works & Solid Waste Management Committee met on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 in the Council Chambers, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, Chairman	Debra B. Summers, V Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler	Johnny W. Jeffcoat
K. Brad Matthews	

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; Chris Folsom, Deputy County Administrator; Randy Poston, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Public Works Projects Status Report Update - Public Works - Wrenn Barrett, Director

- Mr. Barrett presented a status report on Public Works projects. Staff provided a detailed chart outlining the status on the most active projects with C-Fund projects at the top of the list. Mr. Barrett gave a brief overview of the projects and reported the only item not included was the bond projects that will be presented at the next meeting. In the future, staff will provide the bonding projects with the status report. The Committee agreed staff will continue to provide quarterly status reports for Public Works' projects. Mr. Mergo complimented staff on providing a valuable management tool for Council and staff. The Committee discussed the Penny for Progress county and state road projects. Mr. Cullum suggested Council email Mr. Barrett items referenced for Penny for Progress roads by this Thursday afternoon or Friday morning for submittal to the County Administrator to meet his Friday deadline. Mr. Mergo reported that all County Department project submissions will then be brought before Council to prioritize for submittal to the Penny for Progress Commission. For information only, no action taken.

DRAFT Standard Operating Procedure for Road Closings - Public Works - Wrenn Barrett, Director

- Mr. Barrett presented staff recommendations for a proposed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for road closings. He reported that the proposed recommendations are based on the South Carolina Code of Laws Section 57, Chapter 9 - Abandonment or Closing of Streets, Roads or Highways and the South Carolina Department of Transportation's Statuary Authority Chapter 63 - Sign Requirements for Petitions to Close Roads. Mr. Barrett brought to the Committee's attention item number six, referring to road closing recommendations presented to County Council. Mr. Cullum discussed creating information on what to do if you want to close a road and having it available on the website

and in print form especially for developers. Mr. Mergo said once Council passes the procedures staff will work on providing an informational pamphlet.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Mr. Matthews to recommend full Council approve staff's recommendations as presented.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Matthews	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	

Michael Taylor Road Closing - Council District 2 - Public Works - Wrenn Barrett, Director - Mr. Barrett presented a request from CMC Americas Engineering (CMC) to close Michael Taylor Road, a dirt road, located between Neely Wingard Road (S-32-774) and Nathan Miller Road. CMC is the petitioner and sole owner of the abutting properties along both sides and down the entire length of Michael Taylor Road and has agreed to pay all closing costs. Mr. Scott Henderson and Mr. Robert Sharpe, representatives with CMC, were present to answer questions regarding the closing. Mr. Henderson provided background information on the properties owned by CMC and reported the road closing would allow them to consolidate the properties for future development. Staff reported the closure would result in a decrease of approximately 0.5 miles of dirt road maintenance for the County. Mr. Barrett said no traffic count has been conducted and were waiting on a response from EMS if they had any concerns, but had not received it yet.

(Since the Committee meeting, Public Works has consulted with Public Safety on the closure of Michael Taylor Road and both have no objections to the road closing.)

Executive Session - A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Ms. Summers to go into Executive Session for a legal briefing.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler

Absent: *Mr. Matthews

*Mr. Matthews was not present at the time the vote was taken.

Mr. Cullum reported out of Executive Session with one motion to be considered.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Ms. Summers to recommend to full Council, based on the information presented, that the Committee has no objections to the closing of Michael Taylor Road.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Matthews	

PalmettoPride Community Pride Grant Award - Solid Waste Management - Dave Eger, Director - Mr. Eger presented a request to apply for the PalmettoPride Community Pride grant in the amount of \$8,000. There is no County match required. If approved, the funds will be used to purchase indigenous and/or drought-resistant perennials for landscaping at the Lexington County Sheriff's Department Training Center and the Sandhills Collection and Recycling Center, 5 additional recycling containers, and additional cardboard event recycling containers.

A motion was made by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend full Council approve staff's request to apply for the grant.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Matthews
 Mr. Keisler Ms. Summers
 Mr. Jeffcoat

Meeting of November 12, 2013 - Approval of Minutes - A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the November 12, 2013 as submitted.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Ms. Summers
 Mr. Keisler Mr. Jeffcoat
 Mr. Matthews

Old Business/New Business - Stormwater Utility Fee; and Pine Glen Alternate Exit (Emergency Access Road Cost); Nursery Road Bridge Update; Permanent Water Quality Buffer Requirement Concerns; Dixired Road; Stormwater Ordinance - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

M. Todd Cullum
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk